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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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H. UEMURA et al.)	Examiner:
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Appln. No.: 09/856,298)	Washington, D.C.
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Filed: May 21, 2001)	October 1, 2001
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For: NOVEL SERINE PROTEASE)	Atty. Docket: UEMURA=6
BSSP4)	

**SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO
COMPLY WITH SEQUENCE LISTING REQUIREMENTS**

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notice to Comply and prior to
Examination on the merits, please amend as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 22,
line 11, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- The protein having the amino acid sequence
represented by SEQ ID NO: 2 is a human type protein (hBSSP4)
and the mature type having serine protease activity is the
polypeptide represented by the 1st to 268th amino acids. As
consensus sequences of serine proteases, it has Ala-Ala-His-
Cys corresponding to the 39th to 42nd amino acid residues of
SEQ ID NO:2 and Asp-Ser-Gly-Gly-Pro corresponding to the 192nd
to 196th amino acid residues of SEQ ID NO:2 and one or more of
Asp's are present between the concensus sequences. A